

REMARKS

I. Status of Claims

Further to this Supplemental Amendment, claims 1-14, 21, 22, 24-26, 29, 30, and 32-91 are pending in this application. Without prejudice or disclaimer, claim 31 is cancelled herein, with claims 15-20, 23, 27, and 28 cancelled further to the Amendment submitted December 30, 2008. Claim 91 was withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner as being directed to a non-elected Group. Claim 91 has now been amended to contain all the limitations recited in claim 1, which was indicated to contain allowable subject matter by the Examiner, and Applicant respectfully request that this claim be rejoined pursuant to M.P.E.P. § 821.04.

Claims 1, 32, 34-41, 45, 47-50, 53, and 91 are amended herein. Further to the Examiner-initiated telephonic interview with Examiner Shiao on March 18, 2009, and the proposed Examiner's amendment discussed during the interview, claim 1 is amended to incorporate the subject matter of cancelled claim 31, and also to add the terminology "other." Claims 32, 34-41, 45, 47-50, and 53 are amended to correct their dependencies. Claims 1, 37, and 38 are further amended to add "ethylenic" before the recitation "carboxylic acid." Finally, claim 91 was amended to recite all the limitations of claim 1. Support for these amendments can be found in the claims as originally filed, and in the specification, for example, at pages 18-19, paragraph [082]. Accordingly, the pending claims are fully supported by the as-filed application.

Applicant respectfully submit that the presented amendments fully adopt the Examiner's proposed amendments discussed during the interview, and therefore place the claims in condition for allowance.

II. Conclusions

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the reconsideration of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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